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MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, MAY 25, 2005 AT 5:30 – 8:00 PM

CITIZENS' TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

STEPHEN P. CLARK CENTER
111 NW FIRST STREET
MIAMI, FLORIDA 33128
COUNTY COMMISSION CHAMBERS

AGENDA

(5:30 PM – 6:00 PM)

- I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** - *Meeting of April 27, 2005*
- III. WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**
 - A. Malou Harrison appointed by MPO Board Member Katy Sorenson**
 - B. Beatriz Navarro Goudie appointed by MPO Board Member Ruben Almaguer**
- IV. PUBLIC COMMENT** - *3 Minutes Each Speaker*
- V. ACTION ITEM (6:00 PM – 6:10 PM)**
 - A. ADOPTION OF CTAC BY-LAWS**
- VI. INFORMATION ITEMS (6:10 PM – 7:15 PM)**
 - A. PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT (PSA) CONTEST WINNERS – Paul Chance, MPO Public Involvement Officer**
 - B. URBAN DEVELOPMENT BOUNDARY (UDB) UPDATE – Mark Woerner, Miami-Dade Planning and Zoning Supervisor**
 - C. BUS RAPID TRANSIT OPPORTUNITY STUDY UPDATE – Wilson Fernandez, MPO Project Manager**
- VII. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE (7:15 PM – 7:30 PM)**
- VIII. MEMBER REPORTS ON OTHER MEETINGS RELATED TO TRANSPORTATION (7:30 PM – 7:45 PM)**
- IX. NEW BUSINESS (7:45 PM – 8:00 PM)**
- X. ADJOURNMENT - 8:00 PM**

MPO Committee Meeting Dates:

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| CTAC Subcommittee | 6/08/05 |
| CTAC Full Committee | 6/22/05 |
| MPO Governing Board | 6/23/05 |
| TPC | 6/06/05 |
| TPTAC | No Meeting |
| BPAC | 6/22/05 |
| TARC | 6/08/05 |

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SUMMARY OF MINUTES

MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, MAY 25, 2005

CTAC ATTENDANCE:

Mike Hatcher, Chair
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OTHERS PRESENT:

Paul Chance , Interim CTAC Secretariat
Wilson Fernandez, MPO
Seraphin Bernard, MDT
Mike Robinson, A.R.T
Virginia Diaz, CITT
Delfin Molins, PWD
Miles Moss, CITT
John Metsopoulos, SFRTA
Bonnie Arnold, SFRTA
Mark Woerner, MDPZ

Mr. Mike Hatcher, Chair, welcomed everyone to the meeting and recognized quorum.

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Chairperson requested permission from the Committee for a short presentation to be added to the agenda by the South Florida Regional Transportation Authority (SFRTA) and be given before citizen comments due to time constraints.

Naomi Wright moved to modify the agenda and the motion was seconded by Andrew Burgess. Upon being put to a vote, the motion passed unanimously.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Martin Nash moved for the approval of the minutes of March 23, 2005 and the motion was seconded by Mac Glasgow. Upon being put to a vote, the motion passed unanimously.

III. WELCOME NEW CTAC MEMBERS

Mr. Hatcher welcomed two new members to CTAC:

1. Malou Harrison was appointed by MPO Board Member Katy Sorenson
2. Beatriz Navarro Goudie was appointed by MPO Board Member Ruben D. Almaguer

VI. INFORMATION ITEM

Bonnie Arnold, South Florida Regional Transportation Authority (SFRTA) Director of Marketing and Customer Service, updated the committee on Tri-Rail's construction-related schedule changes starting June 6, 2005. They informed members that track reconfiguration makes these changes necessary to minimize impact on the train's on-time performance. Currently, most Tri-Rail northbound and southbound trains meet in the area of Ft. Lauderdale Airport Station. This area will become a single track during construction beginning the weekend of June 4, 2005.

(The presentation can be heard in its entirety upon request)

After the presentation, there was a question and answer period between CTAC members and Ms. Arnold.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Mike Robinson, representing the Alliance for Reliable Transport (ART), asked CTAC for their support in a Resolution supporting the current retention of the Urban Development Boundary (UDB) Line written by A.R.T. The proposed development area will interfere with Florida Everglades Restoration by developing land in an area that may flood frequently after ecosystem restoration takes place. The County Commission is voting on June 7, 2005 to decide the Florida City Development of Regional Impact request that would expand development beyond the UDB Line.

IV. ACTION ITEM

A. ADOPTION OF CTAC BY-LAWS

Members discussed the adoption of the By-Laws that were approved at the May 11th Legislative Subcommittee. Mr. Mac Glasgow brought up the subject of holding a public hearing and requested that staff receive a legal opinion on whether or not CTAC can hold public hearings before taking action to adopt By-Laws.

Lee Swerdlin moved to table the By-Laws and the motion was seconded by Joe Fontana. Upon being put to a vote, the motion passed 21-2.

IV. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT (PSA) CONTEST WINNERS

Paul Chance, Interim CTAC Secretariat, presented the MPO PSA Contest winners to the Committee. Three students created exceptional PSAs and were chosen as winners: Julian Seepersand and Andy Martinez both Communication Majors at Barry University and Robert Rivera, a senior at Miami-Dade College. Miami Senior High School Senior, Elizabeth Porro, received an honorable mention for TV Production. Each winner's PSA will be aired for one month on Miami-Dade TV that began on May 1, 2005.

B. URBAN DEVELOPMENT BOUNDARY (UDB) UPDATE

Mark Woerner, Miami-Dade Planning and Zoning Supervisor, gave a 25-minute presentation updating the Committee on two proposals for the Urban Development Boundary (UDB). He also informed members that these two options are open to amendments and he also briefed the Committee on nine of the applications that they have received.

(The presentation can be heard in its entirety upon request)

After the presentation, there was a question and answer period between CTAC members and Mr. Woerner.

C. BUS RAPID TRANSIT OPPORTUNITY STUDY UPDATE

Wilson Fernandez, MPO Project Manager, gave a 25-minute presentation concerning the Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Opportunity project. Mr. Fernandez discussed the following key factors for the project:

- Presented an overview of the study
- Defined what constitutes a BRT
- Displayed proposed BRT corridor sketch plans
- Explained the analysis for the corridors
- Presented the technical memorandum
- Presented the conceptual designs

There were no questions asked after the presentation, but the Chair requested that Mr. Fernandez return at a later meeting, with his consultants, to give a full presentation on the topic.

(The presentation can be heard in its entirety upon request)

VII. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE

Chairperson Mike Hatcher informed members:

- The MPO's Annual Newsletter was distributed in the Miami Herald Sunday and will be distributed in the El Nuevo Herald the following Sunday. In addition, 10 community Newspapers will distribute the newsletter in English, Spanish, and Creole. The total distribution this year will be 661,500.
- Wednesday, July 13th Subcommittee is the Regional Meeting at the Tri-Rail's Administrative Offices in Pompano Beach along the Tri-Rail Line. Staff will be calling members to determine who will be attending to request complimentary Tri-Rail passes. The meeting will be from 3:00 PM until 5:15 PM. He suggested members meet at the Metrorail/Tri-Rail Transfer station at 1:39 PM to travel together as a group to the meeting.
- July 27th and August 24th the Chambers will not be available so if members have any suggestions on a meeting place, please email that information to the Secretariat.
- In compliance with ADA, MDT Field Engineering and Systems Maintenance will make a presentation before the Commission on Disabilities Issues (CODI) regarding the configuration of the new buses as well as the accessibility elements that have been incorporated in their design. MDT will provide CODI with the opportunity to comment in this regard. The meeting will take place on Wednesday, June 8th from 2-4p.m. on the 18th floor.

IX. CTAC SECRETARIAT'S REPORT

None.

X. MEMBER REPORTS ON OTHER MEETINGS RELATED TO TRANSPORTATION

Joe Fontana reported to members that he has worked with Miami-Dade Transit to create an additional venue for transit to distribute Golden Passports. The City of Miami Beach Clerk's Office, located in City Hall, will have the Golden Passports available the first and third Thursday of the month starting Thursday, June 02, 2005 from 9:30a.m.-1:30p.m. along with the Parks and Recreation Community Center in North Beach from 2:30-4:30pm. Mr. Fontana recognized the efforts of MDT staff, in particular, Seraphin Bernard, Ruby Adams, and Claudette Hinton. He encouraged other members of the Committee to ask their City Clerk's office to work with MDT to have the Golden Passes available.

Martin Nash shared with the members that MDT would be installing 113 Slim Lines Bus Shelters starting in October.

Norman Wartman met with the Secretary of Transportation for the State of Florida and he will be pushing forward the concept of public/private partnerships and multiple agencies. This will avoid continuous construction on the same roadways by different entities.

William Gardner reported that MDT will be adding another route going north on 79th Street in November.

XI. NEW BUSINESS TO BE PLACED ON THE CTAC WORKING LIST

Roman Ramos would like an explanation comparing the bus transit technology ability of Dade to Broward County. In Broward, they have machines that citizens can purchase four types of bus passes: one day, weekly, month, and yearly. He wants to know why MDT does not supply this in Dade County?

Jeffery Wander wanted a representative from Public Works to talk about quality control on road construction i.e. driving on Coral Reef Drive west from 137 Avenue is a “rollercoaster ride.”

Mike Hatcher would like to know if there is a continuance plan or back up plan to the PTP funds if CITT does not receive the Federal funds they are waiting on for specific projects.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM.

*****MINUTES ARE IN SUMMARY FORM*****

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